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The Natures That Are Bruised Because Mistakes and Omnipotent Accuracy—The Power of the Celestial Anodyne.

BROOKLYN, June 11 .- Rev. Dr. Taltoday "The Thrashing Machine," the business that you are, but God intended text being from Isaiah xxviii, 27, 28, "For to overrule for your immortal help. "Oh," the fitches are not thrashed with a you say, "there is no need talking that thrashing instrument, neither is a cart wheel turned shout men the amount where the amount wheel turned about upon the cummin, like the corn thrasher, but after it has but the fitches are beaten out with a been thrashed and winnowed it has a staff and the cummin with a rod. Bread great deal better opinion of winnowing corn is bruised because he will not ever mills and corn thrashers.

be thrashing it."

There are three kinds of seed menion in the left fiches, cummin and corn. Of the left fiches fic cummin were small seeds like the carraway or the chickpea. When these grains or herbs were to be thrashed, they were thrown of the floor, and the workmen would come around with staff or rod or flail and beat them until the seed would be separated, but when the corn was to be thrashed that was thrown on the floor, and the men would fasten horses or oxen to a cart with iron dented wheels. That cart would be drawn around the thrashing floor, and so the work would be accomplished. Different kinds of thrashing for different products. "The fitches are not thrashed with a thrashing instrument, neither is a cart wheel turned about upon the cummin, but the fitches are beaten out with a staff and the cummin with a rod. Bread corn is bruised because he will not ever

THE THRASHING PROCESS. The great thought that the text presses upon our souls is that we all go through some kind of thrashing process. The fact that you may be devoting your life to honorable and noble purposes will not win you may escape. Wilberforce, the Christian emancipator, was in his day derisively called "Dr. Cantwell." Thomas Babington Macaulay, the advocate of all that was good long before he became the most conspicuous histo-Commission Merchants, rian of his day, was caricatured in one of the quarterly reviews as "Babbletongue Macaulay." Norman McLeod, the great friend of the Scotch poor, was industriously maligned in all quarters, although on the day when he was carried out to at the funeral procession and said, "If he had done nothing for anybody more than he has done for me, he should shine as the stars forever and ever." All the small wits of London had their fling at ey, the father of Methodism. en could not escape the mathe world, neither can you exof the tribulum. All who will live god-ly in Christ Jesus must suffer persecu-tion. Bosides that there are frid of the sharp, keen stroke

are ever putting a cup of aloes to your lip. Those wrinkles on your face are hieroglyphics which, if deciphered, would make out a thrilling story of trouble. trouble. The footstep of the rabbit is prints showing where swift trouble

Even amid the joys and hilarities of life trouble will sometimes break in. As when the people were assembled in the Charlestown theater during the Revoludable. tionary war and while they were wit-

My subject, in the first place, teaches us that it is no compliment to us if we escape great trial. The fitches and the cummin on the thrashing floor might miserable, bruised corn. We have only been a little pounded, but that has been almost destroyed." Well, the corn, if it had lips, would answer and say: "Do you know the reason you have not been as much pounded as I have? It is be-cause you are not of so much worth as I am. If you were, you would be as

Yet there are men who suppose they are the Lord's favorites simply because their barns are full, and their bank account is flush, and there are no funerals in the house. It may be because they are fitches and cummin, while down at the end of the lane the poor widow may be the Lord's corn. You are but little pounded because you are but little worth, and she bruised and ground because she

according to the value of the grain. If you have not been much thrashed in life, perhaps there is not much to thrash. If you have not been much shaken of trouble, perhaps it is because there is going to be a very small yield. When there are plenty of blackberries, the gatherers go out with large baskets, but when the drought has almost consumed the fruit then a quart measure will do as well. It took the venomous snake on Paul's hand and the pounding of him with stones until he was taken up for dead, and the jamming against him of prison gates, and the Ephesian vociferation, and the skinned ankles of the painful stocks, and the foundering of the Alexandrian corn ship, and the beheading stroke of the Roman sheriff to bring Paul to his prop-

It was not because Robert Moffat and Lady Rachel Russel and Frederick Oberlin were worse than other people that they had to suffer; it was because they were better and God wanted to make them best. By the carefulness of the value of the grain.

The perplexities of your earthly business have not in them one tangle too intricate.

You sometimes feel as if our world were full of bludgeons flying haphazard. Oh, no; they are thrashing instruments that God just suits to your case. There They Will Not Be Thrashed - Human is not a dollar of bad debts on your ledger, or a disappointment about goods that you expected to go up, but that have gone down, or a swindle of your business partner, or a trick on the mage chose as the subject for his sermon of those who are in the same kind of

the last we all know. But it may be well to state that the fitches and the trial perhaps may be childlessness. are fond of children. You say, "Why does God send children to that other household, where they are unwelcome and are beaten and banged about, when I would have taken them in the arms of my affections?" You say, "Any other trial but this." Your trial perhaps may be a disfigured countenance or a face that is easily caricatured, and you say, "Oh, I could endure anything if only I was good looking." And your trial perhaps is a violent temper, and you have to drive it like six unbroken horses amid the gunpowder explosions of a great holiday, and ever and anon it runs away with you. Your trial is the asthma. You say, "Oh, if it were rheumatism or neuralgia or erysipelas, but it is this asthma, and it is such an exhausting thing to breathe." Your trouble is a husband, short, sharp, snappy and cross about the house and raising a small riot because a button is off! How could you know the button is off?

Your trial is a wife ever in contest with the servants, and she is a sloven. Though she was very careful about her appearance in your presence once, now she is careless, because she said her for-tune is made! Your trial is a hard school lesson you cannot learn, and you have biften your finger nails until they are a sight to behold. Everybody has some vexation or annoyance or trial, and he or she thinks it is the one least adapted. "Anything but this," all say. "Anything but this." his burfal n workman stood and looked Oh, my hearer, are you not ashamed to be complaining all this time against

God? Who manages the affairs of this world anyhow? Is it an infinite Modoc, or a Sitting Bull savage, or an omnipo tent Nana Sahib? No, it is the most merciful and glorious and wise Being in all the universe. You cannot teach Om-nipotence anything. You have fretted and worried almost enough." Do you not think so? Some of you are making yourselves ridiculous in the sight of the

a lad 6 years of age comes running down on the white hairs of the aged are footmade with his own jackknife, and he says: "Here, my boat is better than for a night, but joy cometh in the morn-yours. Just look at this jibboom and ing." You may leave your pocket handthese weather cross jack braces," and he

docks. nessing a farce and the audience was in great gratulation the guns of an advancing army were heard and the authors. Ah, my friends, that great ship is your life as God planned it—vast, million tonned, ocean destined, eternity bound. Ah, my friends, that great ship is your vancing army were heard and the audience broke up in wild panic and ran That little boat is your life as you are I will never do anything wrong? Am I trying to hew it out and fashion it and seated amid the joys and festivities of this world you hear the cannonade of some great dieaster. All the glaborater and in piece and is always right and in piece and is always right and in piece and is always. some great disaster. All the fitches, and right, and in nine cases out of ten you the cummin, and the corn must come are wrong. He sends just the hardships, down on the thrashing floor and be just the bankruptcies, just the cross that it is best for you to have. He knows what kind of grain you are, and he sends will be a rod or staff or iron wheel just | diant they are! according as you are fitches or cummin

God keeps trial on us until we let go.
The farmer shouts "whoa!" to his horses as soon as the grain has dropped from the stalk. The farmer comes with his fork and tosses up the straw, and he sees that the straw has let go the grain and the grain is thoroughly thrashed. So God. Smiting rod and turning wheel both cease as soon as we let go. We knuckles are so firmly set that it seems as if we could hold on forever. God comes along with some thrashing trouble and beats us loose.

We started under the delusion that this was a great world. We learned out of our geography that it was so many thousand miles in diameter and so many those and miles in circumference, and we said, "Oh, my, what a world!" Troubles came in after life, and this trouble sliced off one part of the world, and that trouble sliced off another part of the world, and it has got to be a smaller world, and in some of your estimations a very insignificant world, and it is depreciating all the time as a spiritual property. Ten per cent off, 50 per cent off, and there are those here who would not give 10 cents for this world-for the entire world -as a soul possession. We thought that friendship was a grand

thing. In school we used to write com-positions about friendship, and perhaps we made our graduating speech on com-mencement day on friendship. Oh, it was a charmed thing! But does it mean as much to you as it used to? You have gone on in life, and one friend has be-trayed you, and another friend has misinterpreted you, and another friend has neglected you, and friendship comes now sometimes to mean to you merely another ax to grind!

future, but we have learned that a mortgage may be defeated by an unknown previous incumbrance; that signing your name on the back of a note may be your business death warrant; that a new tariff may change the current of trade; that a man may be rich today and poor tomorrow. And God, by all these misfortunes, is trying to loosen our grip, but still we hold on. God smites us with a staff, but we hold

G. L. HURLEY & CO.. THE STAFF AND ROD. from your temples one throb too sharp. There are men who keep their grip on this world until the last moment who suggest to me the condition and conduct of the poor Indian in the boat in the Niagara rapids coming on toward the fall. Seeing that he could not escape, a moment or two before he got to the verge of the plunge he lifted a wine bottle and drank it off and then tossed the bot tle into the air. So there are men who clutch the world, and they go down through the rapids of temptation and sin, and they hold on to the very last moment of life, drinking to their eternal damnation as they go over and go down.

> Another thing my text teaches us is that Christian sorrow is going to have a sure terminus. My text says, "Bread corn is bruised because he will not be ever thrashing it." Blessed be God for that! Pound away, O flail. Turn on, O wheel! Your work will soon be done. "He will not be ever thrashing it." Now the Christian has almost as much use in the organ for the stop tremulant as he has for the trumpet. But after awhile he will put the last dirge into the portfo- night there will be bonfires on every hill lio forever. So much of us as is wheat of heaven, and there will be illumination will be separated from so much as is in every palace, and there will be a canchaff, and there will be no more need of | die in every window. Ah, no; I forget,

they have nothing to cry about. There are no tears of bereavement, for you shall have your friends all round about daughters of the Lord God Almighty! you. There are no tears of poverty because each one sits at the king's and has his own chariot of salvation and free access to the wardrobe where princes get their array. No tears of sickness, for there are no pneumonias on the air, and no malarial exhalations from the rolling river of life, and no crutch for the lame limb, and no splint for the broken arm, but the pulses throbbing with the health of the eternal God in a climate like our June before the blossoms fall, or our gorgeous October be fore the leaves scatter. In that land the souls will talk over

the story of the staff that struck the fitches, and the rod that beat the cummin, and the iron wheel that went over the corn! Daniel will describe the lions, and Jonah leviathans, and Paul the elmwood whips with which he was scourged, and Eve will tell how aromatic Eden was the day she left it, and John Rogers will tell of the smart of the flame, and Elijah of the fiery team that wheeled him up the sky steeps, and Christ of the numbness and paroxysm and hemorrhages of the awful crucifixion. There they are before the throne of God. On one elevation all those who were struck of the staff. On a higher elevation all those who were struck of the rod. On a highest elevation, and amid the highest altitudes of heaven, all those who were under the wheel. He will not ever be thrashing it.

Oh, my henrers, is there not enough salve in this text to make a plaster large enough to heal all your wounds? Whe a child is hurt, the mother is very apt to say to it, "Now, it will soon feel better." And that is what God says when he unbosoms all the trouble in the hush of this great promise, "Weeping may endure death pillow, but you will go up absolor open to the sky.
lutely sorrowless. They will wear black;
No one dies becau you will wear white. Cypresses for them; palms for you.

You will say: "Is it possible that I am here? Is this heaven? Am I so pure now so well that I will never again be sick? Are these companionships so firm that they will never again be broken? Is that Mary? Is that John? Is that my loved one I put away into darkness? Can it be that these are the faces of those who lay on that awful night dying? Oh, how rathe right kind of thrashing machine. It | diant they are! Look at them! How ra-

"Why, how unlike this place is from what I thought when I left the world below! Ministers drew pictures of this reality! They told me on earth that death was sunset. No, no! It is sunrise! Glorious sunrise! I see the light now purpling the hills, and the clouds flame with the coming day." Then the gates of heaven will be pened, and the entranced soul, with the

sion, will look ten thousands of miles cry out, "Who are they?" And the angel of God standing close by will say, "Don't you know who they are?" "No," says the entranced soul, "I cannot gue who they are." The angel will say: "I will tell you, then, who they are. These are they who came out of great tribulation, or thrashing, and had their robes washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb."

Oh, that I could administer some of these drops of celestial anodyne to those nervous and excited souls. If you would take enough of it, it would cure all your pangs. The thought that you are going to get through with this after awhilethe grandest day of all the million ages of heaven. You say, "Are you sure you can tell me?" Yes, I can. It will be the day we get there. Some say heaven is growing more glorious. I suppose it is, but I do not care much about that. Heaven now is good enough for me.

History has no more gratulatory scene than the breaking in of the Eng-lish army upon Lucknow, India. A few weeks before a massacre had occur-

the massacre, and the women were waiting for the same awful death, waiting amid anguish untold, waiting in pain and starvation, but waiting heroically when one day Havelock and Outram and Norman and Sir David Baird and Peel, the heroes of the English army-huzza for them!-broke in on that horrid scene. and while yet the guns were sounding, and while cheers were issuing from the starving, dying people on the one side and from the travel worn and powder blackened soldiers on the other, right there in front of the king's palace there was such a scene of handshaking and embracing and boisterous joy as would utterly confound the pen of the poet and

the pencil of the painter. And no wonder, when these emaciated women, who had suffered so heroically for Christ's sake, marched out from their incarcerations one wounded English soldier got up in his fatigue and wounds and leaned against the wall and threw his cap up and shouted, "Three cheers,

my boys, for the brave women!"
Oh, that was an exciting scene! But a gladder and more triumphant scene will it be when you come up into heaven from the conflicts and incarcerations of this world, streaming with the wounds of battle and wan with hunger. And while the hosts of God are cheering their great hosanna you will strike hands of congratulation and eternal deliverance in the presence of the throne. On that I forget. They will have no need of the candle or of the sun, for the Lord God giveth them light, and they shall reign forever and ever. Hail, hail, sons and

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000 eggs. Remove ink from white goods with a

in hot chafing dishes. "God keep us from sea, fire and women," say the Sicilians.

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timid and weak .- Massillon.

order. A man sees nothing this side of heav-

A woman may say sharp words, but she is sure soon to find that hatred is

en that he so reverences as he does a good

The bones and muscles of the humanbody are capable of over 1,200 different Kentucky leads all the other southern

states in number of her women school

No one dies because he does too much work. Many a man dies because he works the wrong way.

According to life insurance statistics, the average of man's life has increased 5 per cent during the last 25 years. Mount Vernon took its name from Ad-

so wan and emaciated in the back room | room therein to accommodate the cachin-So small is the thread carried by the

mechanical device.

Women In the Pulpit. There seems to be no objection whatever to woman taking control of Sunday schools, benevolent institutions, church fairs, festivals and all other means of caring for the flocks and filling the ecclesiastical exchequer, but when it comes to women in the pulpit there is trouble

tury the woman preacher will be no more of a novelty than the woman doo-tor now is. Woman is specially fitted all this sorrow and all this trouble. We shall have a great many grand days in heaven, but I will tell you which will be well as most of the hard work of the for such work, and even were she not so church. When once it dawns fully upon the minds of the people of this generation that there is no sex in intellect or moral achievement, the first and most difficult part of this knotty problem will have been solved. By all means open the pulpit doors to

women as well as those of the Sunday school room, the hospital and the execu-tive committee.—New York Ledger.

Prayer of a Devout Man. Bishop Ninde is a very fervent man, but this was the aspiration he expressed in his last Sunday's sermon: "The great sorrow of my heart is that I have not more feeling. I wish it was so sensitive that it would respond to every breath from heaven."—Lewiston Journal.

ty young lady at the table. Landlord-Yes, I prize her very high-

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is the best part of the harvest.

The heft of the thrashing machine is

HOW TO BEAR THE BURDEN. Next my text teaches as that God proportions our trials to what we can bear, the staff for the fitches, the rod for the cummin, the iron wheel for the corn. Fruits, Vegetables and Produce "Oh, I can't bear it?" But you did bear it. God would not have sent it upon you if he did not know that you could bear

Oh, let go! Let go! The best fortunes are in heaven. There are no absconding cashiers from that bank, no failing in promises to pay. Set your affections on things above, not on thing on the earth. Let go! Depend upon it that God will keep upon you the staff, or the rod, or the iron wheel until you do let go. THE STAFF AND THE ROD.

pounding. They never cry in heaven because

THE WHEAT AND THE CHAFF.

Again, my subject teaches us that land, but how tame compared with the acuteness and power of the celestial vihold on to this world with its pleasures down upon the bannered procession-a and riches and emoluments, and our river of shimmering splendor-and will

DROPS OF CELESTIAL ANODYNE.

red at Cawnpore, and 260 women and children had been put in a room. Then five professional butchers went in and So with money. We thought if a man slew them. Then the bodies of the slain were taken out and thrown into a well. As the English army came into Cawnpore they went into the room, and, oh, what a horrid scene! Sword strokes on the wall near the floor, showing that the poor things had crouched when they died, and they saw also that the floor was ankle deep in blood. The soldiers walked on their heels across it lest their shoes be submerged of the carnage. And on that floor of blood there were it. You trembled, and you swooned, but you got through. God will not take on. And he strikes us with a rod, but on. And he strikes us with a rod, but on. And he sends over us the we hold on. And he sends over us the one can be one to many, nor we hold on. And he sends over us the one can be one c flowing locks of hair and fragments of

ODDS AND ENDS. An oyster may carry as many as 2,000,ripe tomato. At Roman feasts all viands were served

It takes 100 gallons of oil a year to keep a large sized locomotive in running

sharper. A sedentary occupation is to a certain degree unnatural and must be offset by exercise.

Greek temples erected in honor of the superior deities were always uncovered

miral Vernon of the English navy, with whom Lawrence Washington served. If the modern woman does not laugh in her sleeve, it is not because there is no

spindle of the phonograph that the process of threading requires the aid of a

at once. This is only another of the relics of barbarism. In old times if the church could get control of the women and little children they felt pretty sure of their ability to manage the rest of the human family. Half a century ago a woman doctor was scarcely recognized in reputable cir-cles, and a woman lecturer was a monstrosity. Contrasting that date with tho present and taking note of the change in sentiment from one decade to another, it is scarcely too much to expect that by another 50 years we shall see a most wonderful revolution in matters of this sort. It is safe to predict that before the end of the first decade of the next cen-

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